

**MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF LAKE PARK  
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING  
3801 LAKE PARK ROAD, LAKE PARK, NC  
August 24, 2020**

**Commission Members Present:** David Cleveland, Wil Ortiz, Julian Mercer, Joe McCauley, and Jeremy Russell.

**Events Coordinator:** Angie Figiel

**Village Administrator:** Cheri Clark

**PLEASE NOTE:** This meeting was conducted in compliance with Governor Roy Cooper's directives regarding group meetings and social distancing as is necessary due to the Covid-19 virus pandemic. The meeting was conducted on a zoom format which, in addition to the regular meeting notice previously posted, was posted on all social media accounts of the Village. The Mayor and one staff member were present in the Council Chambers and the public was allowed entry to attend and view the meeting subject to compliance with the orders from our Governor. All votes on motions were taken by having each council member state their name and then orally state their position on the motion- i.e., for or against.

**Call to Order:** David Cleveland called the August 24th, 2020 Parks and Recreation meeting to order.

**Public Comments:** Jon Rosenau - I would like to discuss changing the fishing status of the Normandy Pond, located in Lake Charles between St. Joseph Drive and Logan Circle, from Open to Closed. The primary reason for the request is due to fisherman walking through the back yard to fish and being allowed to stand, sit, hang out. They have had no issues from any fisherman to date. Jon is a resident of Lake Park for the past 10 years.

**Approval of Minutes:** Wil Ortiz made the motion to approve the July 27th, 2020 P&R minutes as presented. Jeremy Russell seconded the motion. Vote – unanimous.

**Changes to the Agenda:** Wil Ortiz made the motion to approve the August 24th, 2020 agenda as presented. Julian Mercer seconded the motion. Vote – unanimous.

**Council Actions:**

- Approved \$1350 for tree removal from storm damaged on July 18th.

**Budget Report:** P&R just starting the fiscal year.

**Events:** Red Cross Blood Drive for September is September 12<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 5:30pm. They will bring the mobile bus and recruit donors.

**Ponds:** Lake Charles Pond – all the shoreline has rip-rap now to reduce the amount of erosion issues for the bank of Lake Charles pond. The geese and wave action have caused extensive damage to the pond banks.

Normandy Pond fishing status will remain as Open to fishing. A community member has requested that the pond be moved to closed due to fisherman having access to his backyard. This pond has multiple homes that back up to the pond with a large common area around

Normandy pond. There have been no reported issues from fisherman at this Common Area pond. As of now the Commissioners will leave the status as it is.

**Pools:** P&R by consensus decided to extend the evening hours for the pool until 10pm on Fridays and Saturdays until the end of the season starting July 31<sup>st</sup>. During the extended hours, there were reports of pool members not listening to the lifeguards and ignoring pool rules for clearing the deck for thunder and lightning. Every pool member agrees to follow the rules and policies when joining the pool. The season closes on September 7<sup>th</sup> and hours will remain as published. Pool hours for the next Season will be discussed in 2021.

Installing a separate switch for the Tennis courts to allow users to turn on lights for a limited playing time during the winter months is being considered. Due to the expense and installation questions, this item will be tabled until the September meeting.

**Facilities:** Concerns of rentals exposing our staff to COVID. If the Governor allows us to move to Phase 3 for the state, it is recommended that we will maintain no rentals of the facilities for the protection of our staff. Discussion will continue in the September meeting.

Community Center storm damage seems to be from the wind driven rain during the July 18<sup>th</sup> storm. Jeremy is working with Eddie Murphy to repair and repaint the ceiling, repair the doors, and continue the work at the Lake Charles Pier.

Kiosk panels have new tempered glass for the door panels. We have installed cork however the cork is thin. The panel was reinstalled to the Kiosk. This is a test to see if the cork will hold up with the adhesive or if thicker cork and stronger adhesive is needed.

**Landscaping:** Due to stump grinding of dead trees that were removed earlier in the summer we have requested Lucas to remove the stump mulch, add soil to the area, re-seed and straw 8 locations throughout the Village. The quote for the scope of work is \$1,000. Wil Ortiz made a motion to approve the expenditure for Lucas Landscaping. Jeremy Russell seconded. Vote - unanimous

Fall tree & shrub planting to replace dead trees or shrubs that have died this year in various locations. Lucas provided an estimate of \$975.00 to replace trees and shrubs. Wil wanted to clarify that any planting that require tie downs will need to be removed after 1 year of planting. This is a P&R task that will need to be maintained and requested of Lucas. Wil Ortiz made a motion to approve to spend \$975 to replace plants. Jeremy Russell seconded. Vote – unanimous

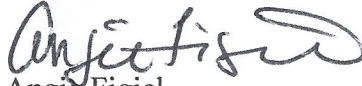
River Birch in front of Lake Charles Pond blocks view of Pier. In addition to the large trees there are two mop head shrubs that also obscure the Pier. The overgrowth of the trees and shrubs create a security issue and maintenance issue with the pier roof lights. Wil Ortiz made a motion to remove the two River Birch trees and two shrubs for \$850. Julian Mercer seconded. Vote- unanimous

Balsam Pond headwall has some erosions and dead shrubs at the top. Lucas will remove the two dead shrubs and fill in with dirt and rip-rap to repair the headwall. This will be funded by stormwater repair.

Staining of the swings is pending weather to cooperate. The stain has been purchased and Wil and Angie have split into sections. Just waiting for the weather to cooperate.

**Adjourn:** Jeremy Russell made the motion to adjourn. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion.  
Vote – Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angie Figiel", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Angie Figiel

Administrative Assistant